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FRENCH-AMERICAN AMITY.

Unveiling of Rochambeau Statue
Strengthens Bonds of Friendship.

The statue of Marshal Rochambeau, presented by the French nation to the United States, was unveiled at Washington last Saturday with fitting ceremonies, France being represented by a special embassy including descendants of the Rochambeau and Lafayette families, and the United States by President Roosevelt and members of the government. At the unveiling, President Roosevelt said: "I am sure that I have given utterance to the sentiments of every citizen of the United States, of every American to whom the honor and the glory of our republic in the past as in the present are dear, when I say that we prize this fresh proof of the friendship of the French people, not only because it is necessarily pleasing to us to have the friendship of a nation so mighty in war and so mighty in peace as France has ever shown herself to be, but because it is peculiarly pleasant to feel that, after a century and a quarter of independent existence as a nation, the French republic should feel that in that century and a quarter we have justified the sacrifices France made on our behalf."

The Baltimore Sun says that "The ceremonies are in commemoration of the most important event in American history after the declaration of independence. The opportune arrival of Rochambeau and his army, accompanied by the French fleet, made independence a reality. The colonists might possibly have continued the struggle in a languishing way year after year until their foes had been worn out, but that is mere speculation. The presence of Rochambeau and his army decided the issue. It was the greatest service ever rendered to this country by any nation—in fact, the only substantial favor of any magnitude ever bestowed by a foreign country." The Baltimore American notes especially "the remarkable modesty of the French people with regard to the important part played by their country in the war of the American revolution. While they have exhibited the liveliest gratitude for the honors extended to their countrymen by Americans—notably on the occasions of Lafayette's two visits—they have never vaunted the part played by France, but have seemed to retain throughout all vicissitudes the strong friendship for the United States so practically exhibited by their ancestors."

ON NAVAL STRATEGIC BOARD.

Kempff to Have Charge of Defence
on Pacific Side of Continent.

Washington, June 10.—Admiral Kempff was today appointed a member of the Naval War Strategic Board to have charge of the Pacific Coast. The plan is to organize the naval force, Army coast defense, lighthouse service, life-saving service and naval militia so that perfect co-operation will be effected in time of war. The Navy Department hopes its plan will result so successfully that in case of war the department would have at its fingers' ends all the paraphernalia and organization necessary for perfect harmony in the various branches of the coastwise and naval service not only in actual operations, but in supplemental aids, such as signaling by lights and life-saving stations, etc.

PRAISE AMERICAN ALLIES.

Declare They Are Great Fighters—
Poor Opinion of Germans.

Pretoria, June 10.—Boer commandoes arriving here bring reports of fresh instances of fraternizing between the Boers and the British troops. The surrender of a commando at Balmoral, Transvaal, was followed by a big "sing-song." The British soldiers stationed at the blockhouse between Balmoral and Pretoria in some instances held up the trains and proffered coffee and tobacco to their late enemies. The Boers generally hold unfavorable estimates of their foreign allies, except the Americans, whom they declare to be crafty and great fighters. A prominent commandant said: "All the Germans are fit for is to give horses sore backs."

HUMANITARIANISM.

The Red Cross Battle With Malaria
in Italy.

A Unique work of the Red Cross society is the care of malaria patients in the Roman plains. As a rule, the society confines its efforts to wars and unusual disasters, such as plagues, earthquake shocks, or famines, but the ravages of malaria in the great plains around Rome were considered great enough to merit its attention. It has erected in the Roman country six sanitary stations, which are in operation during the most dangerous period of the epidemic; that is to say, from July to the end of November. Each one is established on a farm, in the midst of the region assigned to its service, the personnel being composed of a medical officer, a nurse, and a coachman, who is also a guide. As a means of transports these stations possess a large ambulance of two or three horses which can carry eight persons seated or four lying down on the litters, cases of medicine, surgical instruments, eatables, wines, and liquors.

The physicians of the Red Cross not only care for the sick, but they distribute and compel the peasants to take quinine, applying it as a prophylactic measure even to those who have not the fever. They furnish also the feeble and the poor with meat, bouillon, etc., while by a continual propaganda by word of mouth and by publication they demonstrate to the peasants that their salvation lies in seeking to avoid the bites of the anophele. Physicians, nurses, and guides have the windows and doors of their bed-chambers protected against the gnats by wire netting, and during their excursions in the plain, after the setting and before the rising of the sun, they always have the face covered with a silk veil and the hands gloved. Up to the present time, during three seasons of experience, not one of the persons employed in this service has been attacked with the fever, solely because they defend themselves against the bites of the gnats, for they all live in the most dangerous parts of the country.

The noble humanitarianism of the Red Cross from day to day gains the confidence of the peasants, who now gather in constantly increasing numbers at the sanitary stations to consult the doctor; for they have seen that the worst fever can be quickly cured by taking quinine even in small quantities, but at the proper time. In 1900 the Red Cross cared for 4,513 persons, of which 3,733 were sick from malaria, 306 being transported to the hospital in Rome, either by ambulance or by the railroad. This year the prophylactic cure has obtained much greater extension, and one already counts by hundreds those who have voluntarily requested to be regularly given quinine; and not one of these has suffered from malaria.

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